

REMARKS

By the Office Action mailed December 17, 2008, restriction to one of the following species is required under 35 USC 121:

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| Embodiment 1 | Figure 2, an electronic payment terminal; |
| Embodiment 2 | Figure 3, another embodiment of an electronic payment terminal; |
| Embodiment 3 | Figures 4 and 5, another embodiment of an electronic payment terminal; |
| Embodiment 4 | Figures 6 and 7, another embodiment of an electronic payment terminal. |

In response, Applicant hereby elects Embodiment 2 represented by Figure 3 for examination in this case with traverse. Claims readable thereon include claims 14, 16-18, and 28. However, Applicant respectfully submits that Figs. 6 and 7 depict improvements of the elected embodiment represented by Fig. 3 and do not represent a separate embodiment. Applicant respectfully requests that claim 32 that reads on Figs. 6 and 7 be examined with elected Embodiment 2 as being readable thereon.

In addition, by this amendment, claims 20-23 are amended to correct their dependencies. Reconsideration of the Election of Species Requirement in view of the amendments to the claims is respectfully requested.

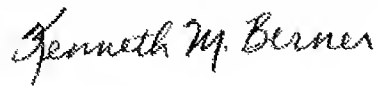
Early examination on the merits is courteously solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 07-1337 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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